

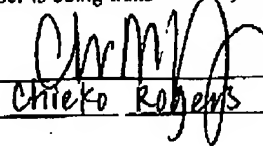
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 8-15 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed July 27, 2007.

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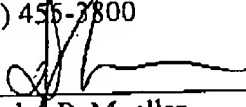
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